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Man clings to car fleeing from cops

COLLISION A man who thought his car was being jacked took an unintentional ride on the hood of a vehicle that was fleeing from police yesterday morning.

Police spotted two suspicious vehicles stopped in an alley near 122nd Avenue and 127th Street around 3 a.m. yesterday. When they tried to approach, the two vehicles sped away.

A man who thought his car was being stolen ran out of his home after hearing the commotion, and was hit by one of the fleeing vehicles.

He rode on the hood for two blocks, clinging for dear life, until the vehicle made a sharp turn, dumping him on some grass. He suffered minor injuries. The officer stopped the vehicle.

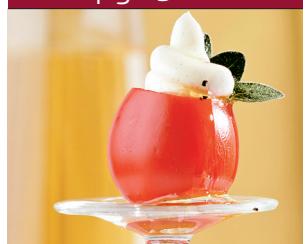
Kemol Creary, 20, is charged with dangerous driving and assault with a weapon.

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One dead, 3 injured in Highway 21 collision

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Mounties in Leduc believe freezing rain yesterday morning was a factor in a head-on highway crash near Nisku that killed a 71-year-old driver.

The male driver was in a 1991 Ford Explorer with two other passengers when it crossed the centre line five kilometres east of Nisku on Highway 21 shortly before 9 a.m. Mounties say it then hit a 2004 Toyota Camry head-on. The Explorer became engulfed in flames.

The driver in the Explorer died on scene, while a 63-year-old woman and an 80-year-old man were rushed to hospital with serious injuries. All three occupants of the vehicle were from Alliance, about 240 km southeast of Edmonton, police said.

STARS Air Ambulance rushed a 51-year-old female driver from Sherwood Park, the only occupant in the Toyota, to hospital in Edmonton with serious injuries, police said.

Emergency crews were diverting traffic on Highway 21 through most of the morning as investigators sifted through the collision.

Meanwhile, despite a number of collisions reported in the city, police spokeswoman Patricia Thenu said the number wasn't unusual for Edmonton. "When drivers notice bad weather, they generally tend to slow down," said Thenu.

Transit in city's future

Edmonton to be less reliant on cars in 2040: Planners

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City planners believe Edmonton should be a city that is more urban and densely populated and less reliant on vehicles in 2040 through a new vision they laid out to city council yesterday.

City planners want Edmonton's LRT service expanded through its Transportation Master Plan and its Municipal Development Plan so it can provide services to each quadrant in the city, along with rebuilding older neighbourhoods that are more biker- and walker-friendly.

"Many other cities around the world, as we speak today, are in fact aggressively moving in a number of these directions," said Gary Klassen, manager for the city's planning and development department.

Klassen told council that Edmonton itself will be home to one million people by 2040 and the two plans from city planners will address future growth, along with long-term financial impacts.

The plans describe what needs to be done to reach the city's "destination," said Klassen, but they don't describe specific details on costs or policies —

"It's providing an option that's actually useable for the majority of people in Edmonton."

Brent Constantin

something that will have to be discussed by council if the plans are approved.

"It's not about the dehumanization of personal vehicles, it's providing an option that's actually useable for the majority of people in Edmonton," said Brent Constantin, president of the NAIT Students Association.

"This is something we're definitely in favour of."

Mayor Stephen Mandel says residents in some communities like Belgrave and McKernan will

have to accept some level of change in the future as the city continues to address growth pressures.

"We can't afford to build these LRT lines all over the city with nobody living on them," said Mandel at the meeting. "We need to be very clear, this document says 'we will intensify.'

Many speakers at a public hearing were generally in favour of the plans, but some had concerns about protecting the city's agricultural lands.

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You can help six-year-old Kelley Polowy with her second annual fundraiser for sick children at the Stollery Children's Hospital. Come down to the Parkview Community Hall (9135 – 146 Street) and purchase kid-made greeting cards, wrapping paper, framed art and homemade tea from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Last year, the then five-year-old raised \$1,600 for sick kids. METRO EDMONTON

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Cop shop project wins award

An Edmonton police project aimed to remove women from the sex trade through law enforcement, intervention, and education has received high praise from the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Project Snug, which helps women break addictions in reducing crime, won an award from the association for Best Community Policing in a reception yesterday in San Diego. "We wanted to be able to offer immediate access to services for those who needed it the most," says Insp. Brian Nowlan. "Through Project Snug, women are able to get the assistance they need to change their lives." METRO EDMONTON

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Stabbing victim was funny and generous

STABBING A medical examiner's report concluded Quentin L'hirondelle, who was slain at a downtown party on the weekend, died as a result of blood loss from a stab wound to the chest.

Family and friends are mourning the loss of the young man, who they describe as incredibly generous and funny.

Justin Malcolm Sutherland, 21, has been charged with second-degree murder. Sutherland makes his first court appearance tomorrow. METRO EDMONTON

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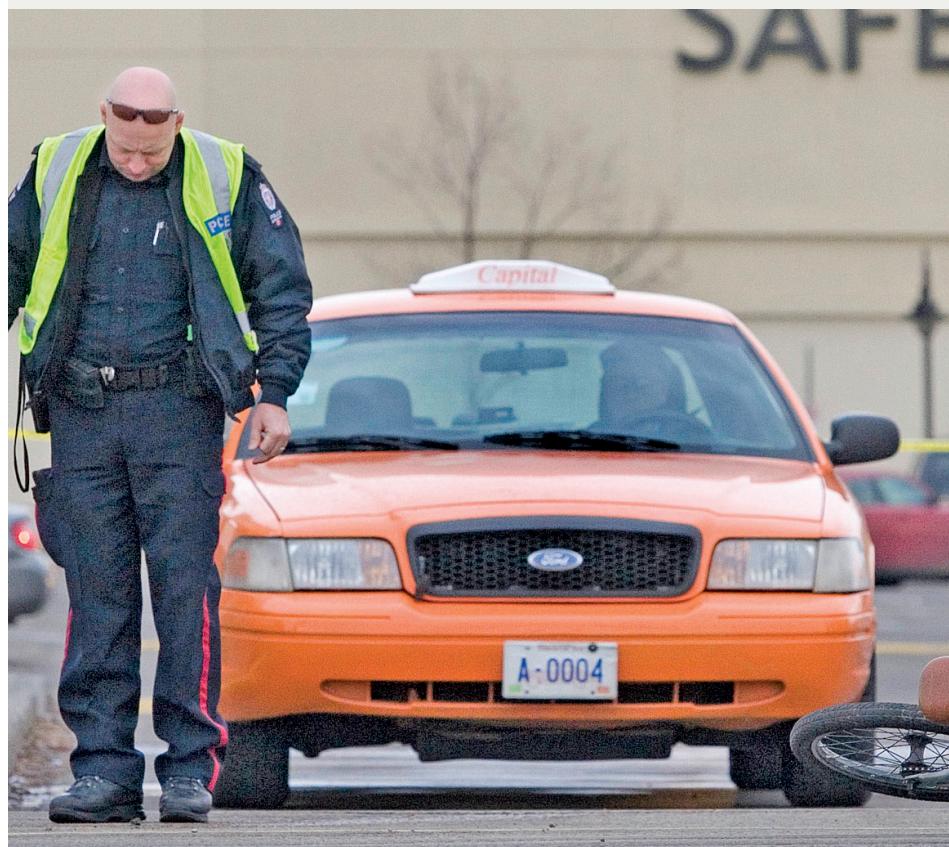
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Crash Close call



A city police officer investigates the scene of a collision between a Capital taxi and a cyclist on a BMX bike yesterday afternoon at Oliver Square. The cyclist is not believed to have been seriously injured.

Man awaits sentence for deaths in pot crime

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A man whose fate hangs in the balance wept in court yesterday in front of the families of two people killed while he was driving high on pot.

James McIlwrick, 36, was recently found guilty of two counts of impaired driving causing death and two counts of impaired driving causing bodily harm, in relation to a 2003 crash that killed Henry Huanxin Yao, 40, and Tammy Engelking, 27.

"I don't sit at home and not care," McIlwrick sobbed from the prisoner's box. "She was someone's kid and someone's friend."

On Nov. 25, 2003, McIlwrick's pickup truck smashed head-on with a Jeep. Two died, and two were injured.

Blood taken from McIlwrick three hours after the crash was found to be well over the level of impairment, an expert witness tes-

tified during the trial.

Court heard that McIlwrick has had two separate drug convictions since the crash, including trafficking.

"I see a self-absorbed, self-centred man that is more concerned about his medical problems than what he has done to four innocent families," said Crown Prosecutor Greg Marchant.

McIlwrick's lawyer, Bill Tatarchuk, claims McIlwrick's vision is so poor, he hasn't been able to drive since the accident, though records show he still has a valid driver's licence.

McIlwrick freely admits to smoking dope on a regular basis, claiming the drug helps with health problems he's had since 2002. He has never applied to smoke pot for medicinal purposes.

The Crown is seeking four to five years behind bars and a 10-year driving suspension. McIlwrick's lawyer is seeking a two-year conditional sentence served outside the prison system.

A decision will be made Nov. 21.

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Cabbies honoured

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At 67-years-old, Edmonton taxi driver Balwinder Dhanoa has no immediate plan to retire.

"I like driving in this city and I enjoy it," said Dhanoa after the city awarded the Co-op Taxi driver with a Best Taxi Driver Customer Service Award yesterday during the city's annual Taxi Driver Appreciation Day.

Dhanoa has been a cabby in Edmonton for the last 30 years and says he loves to help people while he's driving his taxicab since his family and friends supported him in raising his 33-year-old physically disabled son.

"I do like this, I like driving in this city, especially at night when there is no traffic on the roads," said Dhanoa who only had one mishap with a drunken customer at night.

The is the second year the city's Vehicle For Hire Commission has recognized good service among Edmonton cabbies in an industry that



Balwinder Dhanoa is a driver with Co-op Taxi and received the Best Customer Service award yesterday at City Hall during Taxi Driver Appreciation day.

many underappreciate, said commission vice-chair Leon Lubin.

"The people who use the cabs regularly do appreciate them, but most people don't think about how important they are," said Lubin.

"People don't think about

this until they use the cabs. The drivers risk their lives everyday or when they go out at night."

Dhanoa was among 10 drivers recognized for outstanding service categories, including best dressed and best vehicle appearance.

Cops charged for DUI shouldn't be paid: Petition

MOVEMENT An organizer behind a petition to get police across the province to stop paying officers who are charged with drunk driving says Alberta needs "to do the right thing."

"Should you be paying wages for a police officer that has been suspended for impaired driving? I don't think so," said Theresa Offermann who has collected 3,000 signatures for her petition that will be presented to the Legislature Monday.

Offermann was moved to create the petition after an Edmonton officer was charged with impaired and dangerous driving causing bodily harm in a collision on Whitemud Drive on May 11.

Police Chief Mike Boyd later suspended Const. Douglas Kurtis Brown without pay in June as the three-year-member was later charged with unsafe storage of a firearm and other internal police charges.

Brown's trial is slated for Feb. 9, 2009 in an Edmonton Provincial courtroom.

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The family of Brandon Crisp — a Barrie, Ont., boy who was found dead last week of an apparent fall from a tree — has set up a trust fund in his name to create a foundation dedicated to helping disadvantaged youth play minor league sports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Canada



Mounties in India over bombing

Five RCMP officers have travelled to India to investigate the 1985 Air India bombing, say reports. The Mounties were to question two Sikh separatists at the high-security Burewala prison in Chandigarh, reported the Times of India. Air India Flight 182 went down in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Ireland on June 23, 1985, killing all 329 people, many of them Canadians.

CBC NEWS ONLINE

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty says people in his own Whitby-Oshawa riding are urging Ottawa not to bail out the Big Three North American automakers when they may not survive.

Flaherty said in Toronto yesterday that while some people are calling for financial assistance, others believe it would be good money after bad.

B.C. brew fixing to bottle bailouts

POLITICS As central bankers try to prop up an ailing global economy with financial bailouts, a tiny B.C. brewery has stepped into the battle with what it bills as a recession-fighting ale.

Howe Sound Brewery began selling Bailout Bitter in Squamish and is awaiting permission to begin selling bottles in Alberta. **REUTERS**

McGuinty meeting with industry

- Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty is meeting tomorrow with GM, Chrysler, Ford, Chrysler, Toyota and Honda.

Ottawa is under pressure from the industry and Ontario to come up with a stimulus package for an ailing sector.

"There are many people saying we should do something with respect to the auto sector. But I can tell you, even in my own riding

where I was yesterday, in Whitby-Oshawa, which is the home of General Motors of Canada, there are also people who say, 'Don't

do anything — don't use my tax money to bail out an enterprise that may not survive,'" Flaherty said.

His comments appeared to contradict the positive message from the First Ministers' meeting earlier this week, which left premiers with the impression Ottawa was poised to help the struggling industry with a bailout package.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Ignatieff after top Liberal job

POLITICS Liberal MP Michael Ignatieff will today officially announce he's running for the Liberal leadership, even as another contender says that a "generational change" in the leadership is urgently needed to reconnect the party with Canadians.

Ignatieff, the party's deputy leader, plans a

morning news conference in Ottawa to confirm that he will run again for the prize that he narrowly lost to current leader Stéphane Dion nearly two years ago.

Three other possible contenders for Dion's

job, David McGuinty, Gerard Kennedy and Dennis Coderre, yesterday announced they would not seek the leadership at the convention in May. Liberal MP's Bob Rae and Dominic LeBlanc are expected to run for the top post in May. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**



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Crisp family to set up foundation in son's name



Canadian Broadcasting Corp. reporter Mellissa Fung describes where she was stabbed by Afghan abductors as she is interviewed by a colleague.

Fung claims swap occurred

KIDNAPPING The Canadian journalist kidnapped near Kabul last month said yesterday that she had been released in exchange for relatives of her chief abductor, who the Afghan authorities had put in jail after she was seized.

CBC reporter Mellissa Fung was freed on Saturday after 28 days in captivity. She said most of the kidnappers had been very young men and were clear-

ly members of a criminal gang rather than the Taliban. Fung said that family members of that gang were released in exchange for her safe return.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper said on Monday that no "political prisoners" had been exchanged for Fung, a choice of words that could exclude the possibility of family members being used in a swap.

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News in brief

TORIES Conservative party members will gather in Winnipeg today for a policy convention. It's unlikely the party brass will start rewriting the platform that Prime Minister Stephen Harper was elected on but it will define how members perceive their party.

CRIME Canadian prison authorities were forced to release a 450-pound gang member this week because he was too large for his cell, the Journal de Montreal newspaper reported yesterday. He had served two years of a five year sentence.

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World/Business

Bush clan set to write memoirs

BOOKS Republicans may have been voted out of power but they could dominate U.S. political bookshelves with memoirs by President George W.

Bush and first lady Laura Bush among the possible coming attractions.

Publishers would eagerly offer Laura Bush several figures for her memoirs, publishing experts say, raising the question of whether she could fetch more than her husband. Yet both could be outdone by Sarah Palin, the feisty governor of Alaska.

Agents and publishers say both Bushes and Palin would likely command multimillion-dollar advances.

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Italy Landmark right-to-life case



Italy's top court could have the final word on whether a man can remove the feeding tube which has kept his comatose daughter, Eluana Englaro, pictured, alive for 16 years, in a landmark right-to-life case that has split the country. Englaro was injured in a car accident 16 years ago.

Freeze worse than Ice Age coming?

Scientists say planet could cool in 10,000 years

The planet could face a freeze worse than an Ice Age starting in as little as 10,000 years, giving future societies a headache the opposite of coping with global warming, scientists said yesterday.

The researchers, based in Britain and Canada, said that now-vilified greenhouse gases might help in future to avert a chill that could smother much of Canada and the United States, Europe and Russia in permanent ice.

They said the study, based on records of tiny marine fossils and the earth's shifting orbit, did not mean the world should stop fighting warming, stoked by human emissions of heat-trapping gases

Obama to act quickly on climate change

• President-elect Barack Obama will act against climate change early in his presidency, an environment adviser

said yesterday amid doubts that a U.S. carbon-capping program will be in place before 2010.

cooling was projected to start in 10,000 to 100,000 years.

"Geologically it's tomorrow," he said. "But we have a lot of time to argue about the appropriate level of greenhouse gases."

The projected build-up of vast ice sheets across the Northern Hemisphere and over seas around Antarctica would also lower sea levels by perhaps 300 metres — connecting Russia to Alaska by land.

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U.S. to change bank bailout plan

CRISIS The U.S. Treasury backed away from using a \$700 billion US bailout fund to cleanse bank balance sheets of bad mortgage debt, while Europe reported more gloomy economic news, fanning fears of a worldwide recession.

Global stock markets fell, with Wall Street down for a third straight day and the

tech-heavy Nasdaq closing at a five-year low.

Secretary Henry Paulson, in the most explicit sign yet that Treasury was abandoning its initial plan for the rescue funds, said he preferred to focus instead on buying stakes in banks to encourage them to increase lending.

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When finances get tight, luxuries are the easiest and most obvious things to cut. However, what's not so obvious is how to cut spending on the essentials, such as food. But with the price of what we eat predicted to soar this year, it's well worth looking for ways to cut spending.

This year's increase could translate into hundreds of dollars for many families. The typical family of four spends more than \$8,500 a year on food. Sharp increases in fuel and commodity prices

take most of the blame, says the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

But there are many things a family can do to cut food costs that involve more planning than sacrifice. "The first one is start paying attention to what you throw away," says Beverly Mills, one of the authors of the cookbook, "Cheap. Fast. Good!" "The most expensive food you buy is the food you don't eat."

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Canada buys more mortgages

The Canadian government will buy up \$50 billion more in insured mortgages from banks as part of a series of steps announced yesterday to improve the availability of long-term credit.

As U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson said he was backing away from buying troubled

Benefits

Canadian banks, with strong balance sheets and healthy mortgages on their books, are using the government buyback program to fund themselves at rates comparable with, or better than, what banks elsewhere in the world can get, TD Bank President and Chief Executive Ed Clark said yesterday.

REUTERS

ures taken by Ottawa included making it cheaper to use government insurance to guarantee bank borrowing, loosening regulations for banks to allow them more sources of funding, and boosting the borrowing authority of the government's Business Development Bank by \$1.8 billion.

The Bank of Canada also set up a term loan facility to lend \$8 billion to banks in four tranches, using their non-mortgage loans as collateral. **REUTERS**

Canwest slashes 560 jobs

MEDIA Canwest Global Communications Corp. is cutting 560 jobs at its

newspapers and television stations to slash costs and to try to cope with an advertising slowdown. Canwest said yesterday that the job cuts — five per cent of its workforce — will be carried out through buyouts, attrition and layoffs.

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In brief

AIR CANADA

ACE Aviation Holdings Inc, the parent company of Air Canada, said Tuesday it is unlikely to wind itself down by making a cash offer for the public minority stake in the airline.

GOOGLE

Shares of Google Inc yesterday fell below \$300 for the first time since late 2005 after analysts lowered estimates on the Internet search giant, citing a weak advertising market. **REUTERS**

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If we wonder why so few Canadians voted in the last federal election — a record low turnout — the reason may be how disdainfully their government treats them.

We need not agree with the government's deci-

sions, but we are entitled to know why and how it makes them. Isn't that what democracy is about?

Consider the mysterious decision to cancel the Portrait Gallery of Canada, which was announced stealthily last week. The purpose of a national portrait gallery — which serious countries have — is to educate people, to display the past in pictures, to tell history through the images of those who create a country.

A year ago, the Conservatives announced they would invite bids from de-

velopers in nine cities to host the gallery, which was proposed for Ottawa by the Liberals in 2001. It was embarrassing, a country handing a public gallery to private developers and possibly moving it out of the national capital, but that isn't the point here. The point is the contempt it showed for Canadi-

ans. Last Friday, the government announced it would not accept any of the bids. None met its criteria. So it cancelled the gallery entirely. It refused to reveal the bids or how they were

judged, saying only that a gallery is now too expensive.

But what was most telling was the process here. James Moore, the new, highly regarded minister of Canadian Heritage, did not call a news conference, which would have been honest.

Instead, Moore's office issued a three-paragraph statement after hours on Friday, when everyone had gone home. His spokeswoman, Deirdra McCracken, said it wasn't ready earlier.

Issuing late news releases

is an old trick. The idea is to play down an unpopular decision, ensuring that few people see it and discuss it.

Ask McCracken about this and her stonewalling has a Bambi-like innocence. Why, she even wonders — this is true — did she receive "so few calls from reporters" to speak to Moore, who made himself available to say the gallery would now cost \$100 million rather than \$44 million, without providing any evidence whatsoever.

We can only guess that

journalists were unaware of the opportunity to spend their Friday night chatting with McCracken, who surely could have delayed the urgent statement until Monday, and had her minister deliver it.

The reason for this little game? Limit debate. Avoid discussing a legitimate national enterprise seven years in the making. Treat voters like children.

Then wonder why so few vote.

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WHERE BANKS GET INSTANT CASH:



Views

An ode to average children

By KELLY SCHWARTZ

As I sit and listen to my son massacre one of several timeless left-hand-then-right-hand classics on the piano, six words immediately come to mind: "Wow! A prodigy he is not!"

But he is not entirely to blame for either his lack of skill or devotion to this parent-imposed ritual of daily aural abuse. I'm really just passing down another of the several rites of passage my parents did "to" me, and thus anything less than sitting and kicking the bejeebers out of the old upright piano for 30 minutes a day is better than I did at his age.

His lack of attention to excellence is compounded by the unseasonably warm autumn weather, which means he is missing one of several street hockey games that are calling his name much louder than the sweet notes of Cantina Band in Bb screaming awkwardly from his fingers. Both of us finally give in — and give up — and out the door he goes with stick in hand.

While I sit and ponder whether or not street hockey might be an



Kelly Schwartz

Olympic sport by the time my son is ripe of Olympian age, I find myself struck with a mix of mild disappointment and peaceful resignation that my kids are (gasp!) average.

From what I can see so far, my kids are no Sidney Crosby, no Wesley Chu, no Miley Cyrus (whew!), and no Lauren Bay Regula (for women's fastball novices, she was the star pitcher on Canada's 2008 Olympic softball team). And guess what? The more I learn about kids and healthy development, the more you and I should be OK with that.

You see, our country, its families, and parents in

particular need to be content with the fact that millions of our kids are simply average, normal, and just plain plain. Encouraging our kids achieve to their potential is one thing, but demanding that they be the best at everything is simply unrealistic. Our homes are not the set of a *Hannah Montana* episode (and thankfully, sans mulleted fathers like Billy Ray Cyrus!), and real life means it's OK for our kids to just be kids.

As I put the piano books away I can hear the cheers from the street. My boy can go shelf on the shooter tutor like no other! Well, not really, but as far as average Sydneys go, he's pretty good.

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MLB Network hires former Jay Reynolds

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Sports

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**Ruutu suspended**

Jarkko Ruutu is the latest NHLer to be disciplined for a dangerous hit. The Ottawa Senators forward received a two-game suspension yesterday after catching Montreal's Maxim Lapierre with an elbow early in the third period of a game on Tuesday night.

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Leafs winning over haters

Oilers host a patchwork, but less-maligned, Toronto squad tonight

Shhhh — hear that? It's the cash-register-like sound of what some refer to as "God's team" — the Toronto Maple Leafs — bringing their deep pockets and shallow modern-day resume into Edmonton for their first game in Northern Alberta in a couple years.

Now, while you clean up the coffee you just blew out your nose, let me clarify: as somebody born and raised in Canada's most detested town (no, not Calgary), I'm well aware how laughable it is to think any deity would align their omnipotent self with a franchise that set

The Hockey News

Adam Proteau

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need to know about the history of Leafs ownership's twisted priorities, I don't know what could.

But that doesn't mean there's nothing to like about the 2008-09 Leafs team. In fact, despite the low expectations assigned to them this year — or perhaps because of them — Toronto's patchwork squad has managed not only to endear themselves to the locals, but also to a few traditional Leafs haters. Here's a few reasons why:

- The Absence of Malice.

When Leafs GM Cliff Fletcher performed surgery on the roster last summer, he excised two players (Darcy Tucker and Bryan McCabe) whose on-ice moaning made them hugely unpopular in many circles. Sure, they added notorious blind-side artist Ryan Hollweg in the off-season, but he could be suspended at any second.

- The comedy stylings of Ron Wilson. Toronto's new coach is a fan of funnyman Will Ferrell, and it shows in some of Wilson's chats with the media. Asked if it made

sense to have a second NHL team in Toronto, Wilson said, "If we could split the media up, then yeah," Wilson said. "We could send half of you to the fictitious second team."

- Because They're Going To Lose A Lot. It's always harder to boo a team that isn't going to win anything but possibly the draft lottery, right? Right?

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Eskimos QB Ray wins weekly award

CFL Edmonton quarterback Ricky Ray captured the CFL's offensive player of the week honor after completing 27-of-37 passes for 303 yards in the Eskimos' 29-21 victory over the Blue Bombers in the East Division semifinal.

METRO NEWS SERVICES**Sports in brief**

CFL The Winnipeg Blue Bombers have fired head coach Doug Berry after three seasons guiding the Bombers. He posted a record of 27-26-1. The team finished 8-10 this season, good for second place in the East, then lost to Edmonton in the playoffs last Saturday.

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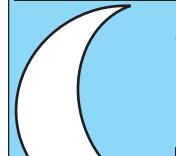
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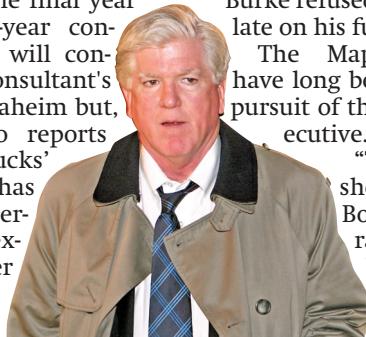
Let the rumours heat up

Burke resigns as Ducks GM; where t.o. next?

Brian Burke stepped down as general manager of the Anaheim Ducks yesterday, clearing the way for a much anticipated move to the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Burke, who is also general manager of the U.S. national team for the 2010 Vancouver Olympics, will be replaced by the Ducks' senior vice president of hockey operations, Bob

Murray. In the final year of his four-year contract, Burke will continue in a consultant's role with Anaheim but, according to reports on the Ducks' website, has been given permission to explore other opportunities.



Burke refused to speculate on his future.

The Maple Leafs have long been in hot pursuit of the NHL executive.

"This should be Bob Murray's day, but all speculation

about what happens next we can do that at some other time," Burke told a news conference. "I haven't gotten that far."

"Brian respectfully declined our contract extension offer last week," said Ducks' CEO Mike Schumann. "With his support, we decided to make the transition at this time."

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NHL Tangling



Brandon Dubinsky of the New York Rangers and Dainius Zubrus of the Devils fight last night. The Rangers won the battle of the Hudson River 5-2.

Calderon leaves in loss

NBA RESULT

76ers 106 Raptors 96



THE SKINNY: In a rematch of the season opener, the Raptors trailed by as much as 17 points early, ultimately falling by 10.

THE REAL CONCERN: Jose Calderon appeared to injure his right hamstring in the first half. He came out for the second

half, but quickly left the game and headed to the locker room.

BRANDED: Elton Brand led the way with 25 points for Philly, while the Sixers' backcourt duo of Andre's Miller and Iguodala combined for 36.

THE BRIGHT SIDE FOR THE RAPTORS: Andrea Bargnani scored 11 points in eight minutes in the second quarter, galvanizing the Raps briefly with a big turnaround dunk. Chris Bosh added his usual double-double (30/12) as did Jermaine O'Neal (19/11).

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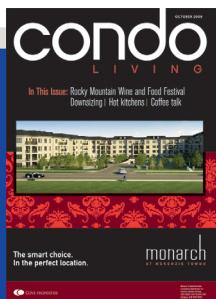
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Ceiling lights with sparkle becoming fixtures in homes

Ceiling lights can really make a room pop. Wander through any lighting showroom and you'll be amazed at the dazzling array of ceiling lights for your home. One superb source for lighting and expertise is Signature Lighting & Fans.

The company suggests "designing with light" with surface-mounted fixtures for walls, ceilings or cabinets.

"Installed on either walls or ceilings, surface-mounted fixtures are integral to most home lighting designs," says Michael Bornyk, president of Signature Lighting & Fans.

"They're especially good at providing diffuse ambient light, though some fixtures are highly decorative."

Bornyk explains most of the surface fixtures have their own mounting hardware that adapts to standard fixture boxes. Ceiling fan/light combinations and large chandeliers may need additional support like a mounting bar, hickey or J-hook, while pendants and wall sconces can often plug into a nearby receptacle.

"Flush-mounted fixtures, which mount directly to a housing box, provide general illumination in traffic



Signature Lighting & Fans suggests "designing with light" with surface-mounted fixtures.

areas such as landings, entries, and hallways," says Bornyk. "Kitchens, bathrooms, and workshops often benefit from the added light of surface fixtures used in conjunction with task lighting on work surfaces."

Chandeliers and pen-

dants "add sparkle and style in high-ceilinged entries and above dining tables and breakfast nooks," he says. These fixtures can provide direct or diffused light or both.

What should you consider when choosing the fixture size? Bornyk recom-

mends a pendant always be 12 inches narrower than the table. Chandeliers and ceiling fan/light combinations should also be installed with safety in mind, he adds.

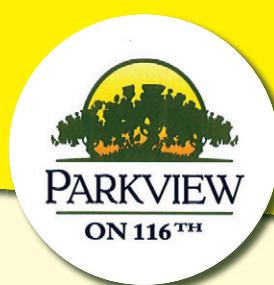
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- The experts illuminate the four main lighting types:
- **TASK:** This bright light illuminates a particular area where a visual activity takes place — reading, sewing or preparing food, for example.
- **ACCENT:** Similar to task lighting that it consists largely of directional light, accent lighting is used to focus attention on art work, to highlight architectural features, to set a mood or to provide a sense of drama.
- **AMBIENT:** With ambient lighting, the undefined areas of a room are filled with a soft level of general light — say, enough for someone to watch television by or to navigate safely through the room.
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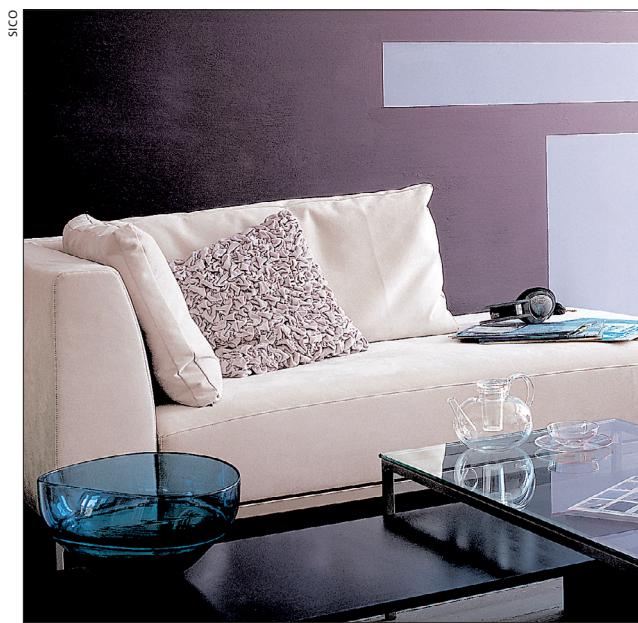
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When choosing your room's dominant colour, consider tones that compliment your skin tone. Purples and muted whites, in this room from Sico paint, will make just about anyone shine.

Choosing the most flattering decor colours

HomeScape



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When it comes to choosing colours for home decor, take a clue from your closet.

Most people understand that they look good in certain colours. For example, a dark blue sweater can beautifully emphasize blue or grey eyes.

A blouse in a rich shade of peach can give a lovely golden glow to darker skin tones. A scarf in a vibrant rose colour can put a lovely blush into cheeks and lips.

If you've got a concentration of any particular colour in your closet (and most people do), chances are that you do actually look smashing in that colour.

You have probably noticed or other people have complimented you on how that particular colour is good on you — it flatters your skin tone, hair and eye colour. Of course you'd have lots of items in your closet in that colour! Who wouldn't?

Not surprisingly, what works for clothing also works for decor.

"If you look good wearing a certain colour, the same applies to a room. If you surround yourself with that flattering colour, you'll look fabulous," says Jeffrey Fisher, designer and

owner of Jeffrey Fisher Home.

If you're considering bringing a particular colour into your home, and you want to be sure it flatters your skin tone, just drape a fabric of that colour around your shoulders and consider the effect.

It should make you look good, enhance your skin tone or bring out the sparkle in your eyes.

And if family members have different skin tones, drape the whole family. Luckily, certain colours are flexible and look good with several different types of skin tone.

You can paint walls in light shades of the flattering colour, or you could follow the advice of a thousand decorators — go for a neutral colour on the walls, and add pulses of flattering colour in smaller, but more intense concentrations.

Or focus on using flattering shades in rooms where skin shows, such as bathrooms and bedrooms. Think bed linens, towels, shower curtains and throw rugs, which can all help showcase what your mama gave you.

Also consider using your colours on throw pillows, throws on sofas, draperies, rugs and upholstery.

One sure bet, says Fisher, is an elegant light "blush, peachy, pinky" colour — especially in a candlelit dining room or bedroom — that makes everyone look beautiful.

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À la carte
Barb Holland
Metro Food Writer

In the spirit of Bond mania leading up to the release of Quantum of Solace, let's look at an arena in which this sophisticated and suave agent would feel right at home — the cocktail party. Beautiful and bejewelled women, men in tuxedos and the mysterious allure of strangers.

"Every once in awhile you take a little bite of this and a little sip of that, and it hits just the right note," says Canadian wine educator Shari Darling, who calls this the "Moan Factor."

Darling is the author of a new cookbook, *Orgasmic Appetizers and Matching Wines* (Whitecap Books), a book that would certainly appeal to James Bond, who's made many a woman moan. These treats would also be a killer for a pre-movie, entertaining night for guests.



Virgin Cherries Stuffed with Goat Cheese.

Virgin Cherries Stuffed with Goat Cheese

Darling recommends a brut sparkling wine with some lemon flavour for this recipe from her book. If you can find a small bottle of extra virgin olive oil infused with white truffles, it makes for a lovely drizzling oil for this easy and classy hors d'oeuvre. Makes 24.

INGREDIENTS:

- 24 large cherry tomatoes
- 4 oz (125 g) fresh goat cheese (chevre)
- Salt and pepper
- 24 tiny fresh basil or oregano leaves
- White truffle oil or extra virgin olive oil

METHOD:

Wash and dry tomatoes, cut a small slice off bottom of each tomato to sit flat (be careful not to break through tomato). Slice a thin portion from top of each tomato. Using a melon baller, scoop out the flesh, being careful not to break the skin.

To make the filling, combine goat cheese, salt and pepper to taste until smooth. Fill each tomato with 1 tsp (5 mL) mixture. Garnish each with basil or oregano leaves. Drizzle each with a little olive oil. Cover and chill.

Chicken and Mango in Crisp Wonton Cups

Both the cups and the filling can be made ahead. Assemble this Asian flavoured appetizer just before serving. Makes 32.

INGREDIENTS:

- 32 wonton wrappers (1-400 g package)
- 1 lb (500 g) boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1 ripe mango, finely diced
- 1/2 red pepper, finely diced
- 2 green onions, finely diced
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) minced fresh ginger
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) each hoisin sauce and chili garlic sauce
- 1 tsp (5 mL) soy sauce
- Salt and pepper
- Cilantro leaves

METHOD:

Preheat oven to 350°F (180°C). Push a wonton wrapper into each cup of a muffin pan and bake 5 to 7 minutes or until golden and crisp. Remove cups to a wire rack to cool.

Continue with remaining wrappers, cool then store in an airtight container for up to 2 days.

Grill, bake or broil chicken breasts until cooked. Cool then dice into small cubes.

Combine chicken, mango, red pepper, green onion, ginger and garlic.

Stir in hoisin, chili garlic and soy sauces.

Season to taste with salt and pepper. Filling can be made up to one day ahead, covered and refrigerated.

To serve, warm filling in microwave briefly to room

temperature and spoon into cups just before serving. Garnish with cilantro leaves.

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.

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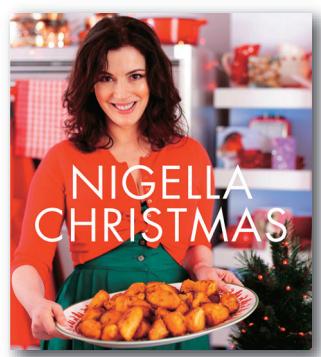
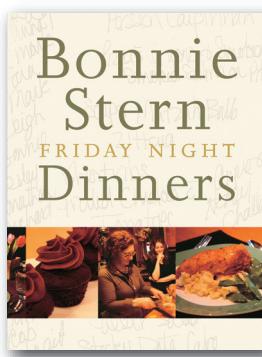
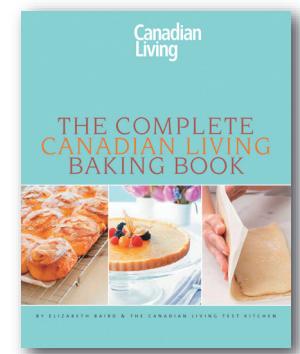
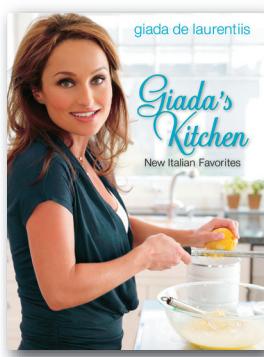
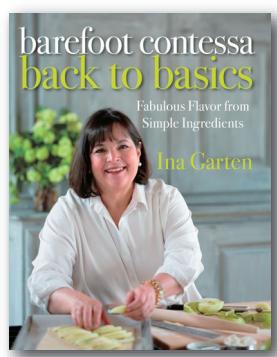
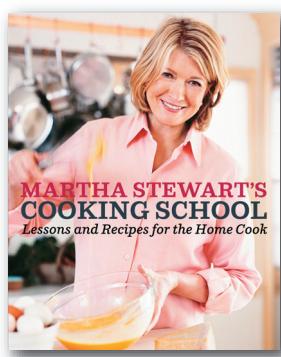
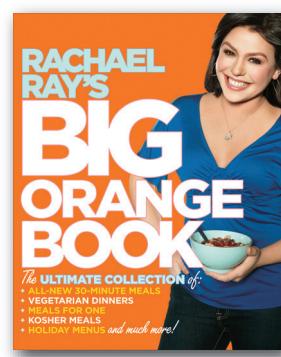
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Holiday hot: 7 pro make-up tips

JANINE FALCON
for Metro Canada

In the upcoming whirlwind of festive engagements, you need a variety of beauty options. Paul Venoit, celebrity makeup artist and CoverGirl makeup pro, and Joli Baker, president of Pür Minerals, share their party-pretty advice to take you through the season:

1) Great-looking skin is where everything starts.

"Don't overdo it, though," says Venoit, who recently appeared on the *Rachel Ray* show to help transform a viewer from everyday blah to Nicole Richie hot. "Let your skin show through. Apply a little concealer and foundation and, for extra holiday glam, use a large natural bristle powder brush to set with light mineral powder."

2) "My favourite holiday party looks always involve a bit of glimmer," says Baker.

"Gold or silver on the eyes,

a beautiful shimmer on the lips... and don't forget the body." Baker likes a dusting of glow powder on arms, back, legs and décolleté. "It's absolutely sexy."

3) "Highlight the tops of the cheekbones," the brow bones, the inner corners of the eyes and the bow of your lips," says Venoit. "Reflect that evening light!"

4) Baker's smokey eye tip is ultra-quick; keep it in mind when you have to zoom from work to drinks, dinner or the office party. "Use an eyeliner brush to smudge black or navy shadow over your existing liner," she advises.

5) Give dark smokey eye makeup a twist with an unexpected colour hit. "Line inner rims with an eye liner shade that pops — turquoise, teal, violet or green," suggests Venoit. Or go for coloured shadow and line rims with black.

6) Winged liner is another hot look. Venoit recom-

mends using black liquid liner pen, then adding intensity with a wet angle brush and black eye shadow. "Use short strokes to line across the base of the upper lashes, and exaggerate a bit at the end with a little flick up at the outer corner of your eyes," he says.

7) Support bold eyes with rosy nude or gold gloss for subtle sexiness on your lips.

If you're rocking gold or silver eye makeup, ramp up the focus on your lips with rich, red gloss or a sophisticated deep red or berry lipstick.

Last, "Don't be afraid to add more drama than you would use during the day," says Baker. Venoit is of the same mind. "This is the time to play," he says. "Bring out your inner Diva, dahling!"



LEFT: Estée Lauder Limited Edition Shimmering Jewel Powder, \$37.



LEFT: CoverGirl LineExact Liquid Liner Pen, \$6.99.



RIGHT: Pür Minerals Holiday Specialty Powder Palette, \$39.50.

BELOW: CoverGirl TRUblend Naturally Luminous Loose Powder, \$13.99.



Go for Nicole Richie glam with bold eyes and a gold gloss.

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Style File

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ask kim

My go-to mascara is always Great Lash by Maybelline but now I'm looking for something new, have any suggestions?

This December Lancôme will be coming out with a new oscillating brush that will help with fully coating your lashes (\$29). If you're looking for less expensive, try the Double Extension beauty tubes by L'Oréal for \$15. Or try it all with the Lash Stash by Sephora, a 10-piece mascara kit that includes my favourite: Kiss Me mascara.

E-mail your style questions to kim.elbo@metronews.ca.

Vancouver's Kim Elbo has a passion for fashion. Here she shares the latest style tips.

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leather jackets

It's the perfect time of year to wear leather and buy leather as it is likely on sale and stocked up in stores right now. Dress up an outfit with the Madison Marcus crop jacket or dress down an outfit with the Soia & Kyo motorcycle jacket that also has a detachable hood. If you are going to indulge on something for yourself this holiday season, buy a leather jacket, it will last you years and only gets better with age. And remember if you hit the sales section you won't feel as guilty.

tip: Do not wrap leather in plastic or other nonporous materials because leather needs to breathe. (wisegeek.com)

tiered skirts

The look this holiday season is all about the tiered skirt — a series of uniform or staggered layered fabric resembling petals on a flower. What's more, tiered skirts are going mini and they look as flattering as ever. Short skirts give you longer legs, and when paired with the right stockings look chic and stylish. Keep an eye out on tiered dresses and tanks as the trend will be staying well after the winter season.

GlobalStyle

Kenya Hunt

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Crowe may replace Ledger in the Dirt

Actor Russell Crowe is in talks to replace late actor Heath Ledger in director Phillip Noyce's *Dirt Music*. Noyce's film is an adaptation of the Tim Winton novel about a couple in a loveless relationship.

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Entertainment

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Skipping a generation

Serena Ryder album likely to appeal to more mature fans

Serena Ryder

Album: *Is It OK*
Label: EMI
Rating: 

ON HER LAST

CD, *If Your Memory Serves You Well*, this 24-year-old Peterborough

native proved her three-octave voice can blow the socks off just about every other young singer in the country.

She took some undeserved flack, though, for recording an album of Canadian covers.

On her third album, *Is It OK*, Ryder shows she can write with the same kind of muscle that drives her voice, moving easily from bluesy folk to passionate power rock.

Unfortunately, Ryder's rootsy vocal stylings will likely appeal more to her parents' generation than her own.

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada

Quantum of Solace

Album: Film Score
Label: J/Sony BMG
Rating: 

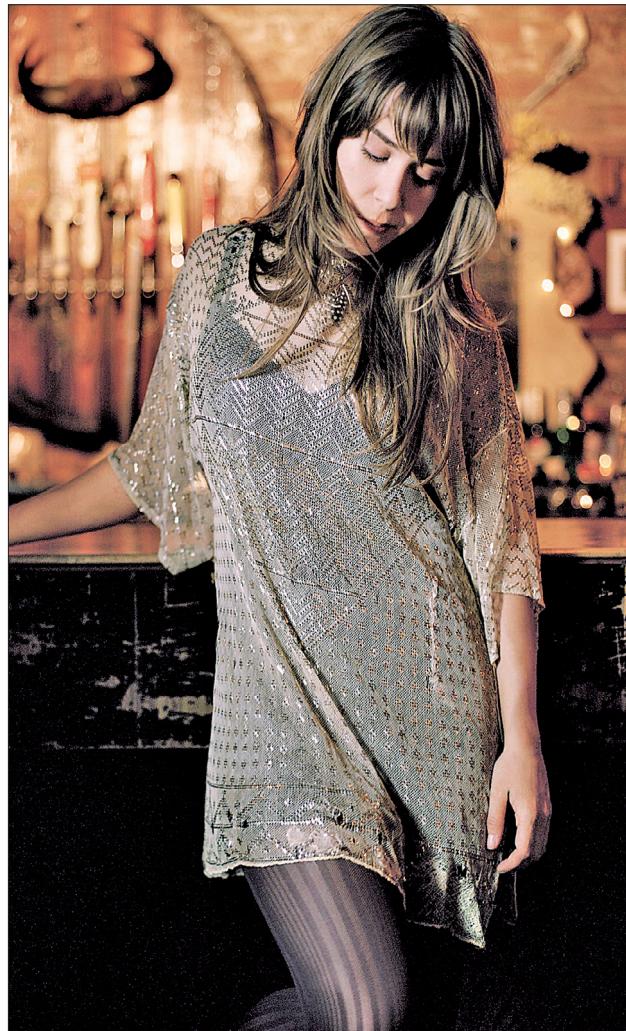
I HAVEN'T SEEN

the new James Bond film, but after listening to David Arnold's score, I don't have to. Intense blasts of violins and bass on *The Palio* signal a hurried chase, while slow, sweeping builds on *Greene & Camille* means a cautious Bond is peering around a corner.

While the music is predictable, it still sounds fresh, even though it's rooted in '60s spy music. It's not all swelling sounds though, the disc also includes Alicia Keys and Jack White's inventive fuzzy R&B-meets-classic 007 collaboration.

And, although this is probably better with the movie scenes in mind, don't be surprised if you start visualizing your own Bond film when this disc is on.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada



On her third album, *Is It OK*, Serena Ryder shows she can write with the same kind of muscle that drives her three-octave voice.

T-Pain

Album: *Thr33 Ringz*
Label: Jive/Sony BMG
Rating: 

IT TOOK A while for T-Pain to be taken seriously in the urban circles, but now, three years after his debut, he's one of the most sought after rap/R&B practitioners around.

On his latest the dreadlocked Floridian does something many rappers avoid — singing about heartbreak and love. He also discusses lap dances, and refers to Jesse Jackson's remark about castrating Barack Obama, but this is definitely one lovesick dude. Musically, he tones things down a bit here, but his famous auto-tune is in full force on nearly every song.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

Seal

Album: Soul
Label: Warner
Rating: 

MY 10-YEAR-OLD son asked me to explain the meaning of R&B. A debate had been raging in the school yard. It's understandable, considering all the junk that's sold as R&B these days. Luckily, Seal's superb new CD of old school covers had arrived. "This is R&B," I said. The kid liked the James Brown and Curtis Mayfield tracks. He danced to Knock On Wood and sensed deeper meaning in the Sam Cooke classic, A Change Is Gonna Come. The Al Green songs were slightly icky, but by the end he was almost convinced that Seal has a better voice than Kanye. There is hope for the future.

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●●●● A CLASSIC; ●●● EXCELLENT; ●● GOOD; ● FAIR; ● POOR

Rock respect

Soul diva Aretha Franklin has been named the greatest singer of the rock era in a Rolling Stone magazine poll.

BBC NEWS ONLINE

Connery tops Bond poll

JIM REYNOLDS
 Metro Canada



When it comes to Bond, it's Sean. Sean Connery is the overwhelming favourite big-screen James Bond, according to Metro readers.

A recent Metro Life Panel survey found 45 per cent of worldwide respondents pick the bald Scot as the best Bond. Slick Pierce Brosnan is a distant second at 24 per cent. Stoic Roger Moore has 18 per cent support, followed by the abdominal-workout obsessed Daniel Craig, the current Bond. There's also two guys on the poll named Timothy Dalton (two per cent) and George Lazenby (one per cent).

In terms of sex, Connery is the choice of both of them — 48 per cent of men, 43 per cent of women. Moore is No. 2 for guys (21 per cent), while women prefer Brosnan (29 per cent).

When you break the data down by country, nobody feels more passionately about anything than the Italians feel about Connery.

Our Bright Future has a laid-back, country jazz vibe. It's Sunday-morning warm and a pleasant, if sometimes redundant, listen.

Jim Reynold/Metro Canada

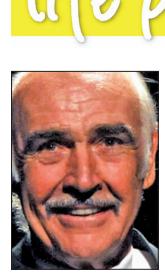
David Archuleta

Album: David Archuleta
Label: Sony BMG
Rating: 

AMERICAN

IDOL JUDGE Simon Cowell always had a twinkle in his eye for David Archuleta. It was inspired by dreams of the multi-platinum sales a fresh-faced boy with a big voice could generate. Archuleta is the kind of kid that every mom wants to put in her daughter's Christmas stocking. Archuleta didn't win Idol, but he's getting the star treatment from the label, nonetheless. A small army of writers and producers was assigned to polish the life out of his album. The moms will love it. Not sure about the kids.

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He dominates the field, getting 62 per cent of the vote in Italy. No other Bond tops 15 per cent.

In Canada, we like the current Bond more than anyone else. Sixteen per cent of Canadian Metro readers take Craig. His next highest approval rating is in Sweden (14 per cent).

Overall, 42 per cent of Canadians pick Connery as top Bond, followed by Brosnan (26 per cent), Craig (16) and Moore (14).

As for the Bond bad guys, Goldfinger (21 per cent) is the worldwide winner. In Canada, we prefer the steely mouthed, multi-film villain Jaws (23).

There were 5,598 respondents to the October survey.

Moore dislikes violent 007

MOVIES Movie audiences nowadays expect scenes of graphic violence in James Bond movies, unlike when Roger Moore played the super spy with a tongue-in-cheek humour, the actor believes.

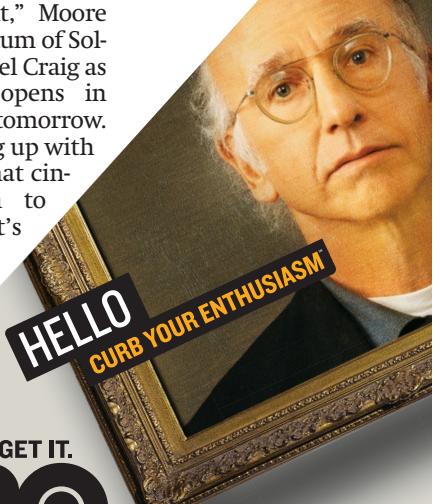
"I am happy to have done it, but I'm sad that it has turned so violent," Moore said before *Quantum of Solace*, starring Daniel Craig as a darker 007, opens in North America tomorrow.

"That's keeping up with the times, it's what cinema-goers seem to want and it's proved by the box-office figures," Moore said.

The new

Bond film opened in London on Oct 31, breaking the British weekend box-office record with a gross of \$25 million US. It has taken in more than \$106 million worldwide so far.

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Every day is Halloween for metal rockers Lordi

BRIAN TOWIE
for Metro Canada



"We're freaks," guitarist Amen says of his band Lordi.

Lordi's trying to extend the Halloween season a little bit longer by putting the balls back into rock and roll.

The heavy metal rockers are currently re-introducing themselves to North American audiences following the release of fifth album *Deadache*, touring with Type O Negative in the U.S. and recently appearing on *Conan O'Brien* (last Thursday).

The ironic hard rock camp isn't lost on fans. Infectious tunes with titles such as *Manskin Boots* and *Bite It Like A Bulldog* evoke chuckles from listeners before they find themselves pumping their fists.

"We're freaks," says guitarist Amen. "We're actually surprised that not too many people have thought of the 'monsters on stage' thing before. It's really something."

After being propelled to stardom on a 2006 Eurovi-

sion song contest in Athens, Lordi soldiers on despite their rotten financial luck. The band's front company, Lordi Enterprises, is hemorrhaging money after an unsuccessful horror movie and soft drink line. Amen isn't worried for the future, but does admit it's no cakewalk to perform their live act given their debts.

"We've learned that it's very expensive to do a movie," he laughs. "And it takes a lot of money to do

those costumes. But we love it. For us, every day is Halloween."

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Sandler has another sequel
Adam Sandler and his wife have welcomed their second child, the comedian has announced. "Jackie and Adam had a beautiful baby girl, Sunny Madeline on Nov. 2," Sandler posted on his website. "Everyone is happy and healthy." PEOPLE.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Will Brangelina add to the brood?

FAMILY Actors Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt are reportedly eager to adopt a child from South America, but they are finding it difficult to negotiate the complicated adoption laws, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The couple already has three adopted children: Maddox, 7, Pax, 4, and Zahara, 3. They also have three biological children: Shiloh, 2, and baby twins Knox and Vivienne.

"We've thought about South or Latin

America, but it's very complicated," Jolie says. "Brad and I aren't married, so, as a technically single woman, there are lots of countries I can't adopt from. And, as a technically single man, most countries wouldn't allow Brad to adopt at all. Some countries won't let you adopt a child if you already have a child of the same gender at home."

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Fergie feasts for filming

DIET Singer Fergie isn't worried about putting weight on this holiday season, usmagazine.com reports.

"I've actually gained 10 pounds!" she said. "No, really — for the film, *Nine*. Actually, 13 to be exact."

"I ate everything!" she continued. "Fish and chips. Everything fried — things I don't normally eat."

But now, she said, "I have to give it up! So, yeah, I'm in that phase! Back to diet designs — my food delivery service!"

Fergie also added that she doesn't have any post-holiday workout plans.

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Farrell found it tough to take over Ledger role

LEGACY Colin Farrell, Johnny Depp and Jude Law hit headlines earlier this year when they stepped in to help finish Heath Ledger's final film *The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus* — but the decision to climb on board and bring to life his good friend's role was torment for Farrell, foxnews.com reports.

"It was a very difficult decision to make, when I first heard about it I totally freaked at the idea," Farrell told *Tarts*.

"But it was important to get Heath's work out and doing what I think Heath would have wanted, which was

finishing the movie to its entirety."

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Aniston says mind your own business

PRIVACY Jennifer Aniston has a simple message when it comes to her on-again relationship with John Mayer: "People need to mind their own business," the actress tells *Vogue* in its December issue, People.com reports.

Of course, Aniston, 39, understands why so many people are intrigued by their romance. There's the age difference — Mayer is eight years younger — and the musician's high-profile past relationships with starlets like Jessica Simpson.

"Did you ever think Claudia Schiffer and David Copperfield made sense?" Aniston says.

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Madonna's rules

DIVORCE If Guy Ritchie wants to see his kids, he better follow the strict rules his estranged wife Madonna has laid down, PageSix.com reports. She demands that while Rocco, 8 and David, 3, are with their dad in London, they can't read newspapers or magazines, meet his girlfriends, or have their photograph taken, the *Daily Mail* reports.

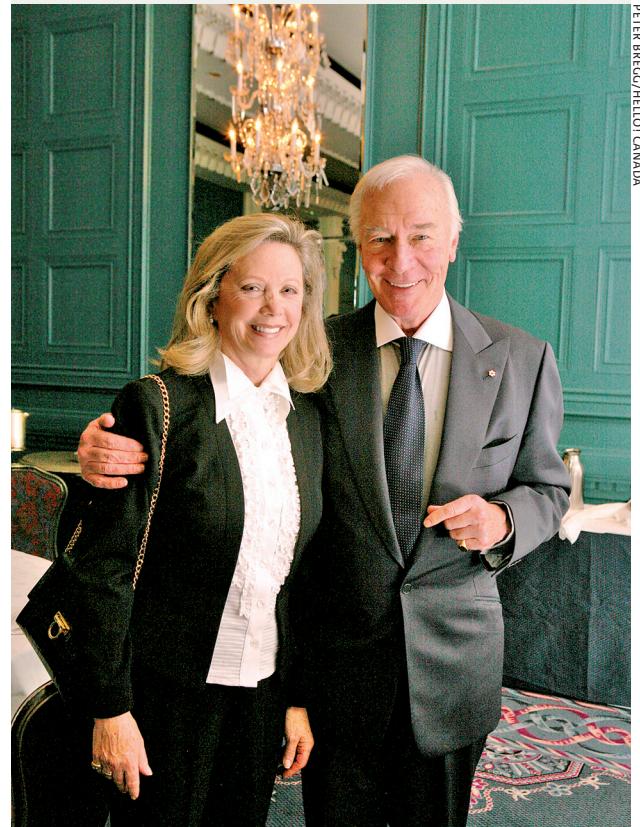
Madonna also reportedly insists the boys drink only kabbalah water, wear clothes made from natural fibers, and play with "spiritually and ethically" sound toys.

Lourdes, Madonna's 12-year-old daughter by Carlos Leon, is with her in New York.

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Hot shot of the week



PETER BRETT/HELLO! CANADA

Nicole loves Keith!

SWEET LOVE Nicole Kidman has paid a gushing tribute to husband Keith Urban, imdb.com reports.

The couple wed in 2006. The actress couldn't hide her happiness at the Glamour awards show in New York on Monday, thanking her country star beau for loving her.

"Three-and-a-half years ago, a man came along and said, 'I'm going to take you to Tennessee.' And he took me down there and he said, 'I think you deserve to be loved. Let me love you, let me give you a home, and let's make a baby.' So thank you, Keith Lionel," Kidman said.

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Canada's own Christopher Plummer poses with "my partner and my life," his wife of 40 years, Elaine, in Toronto. The veteran stage and screen actor recently released his memoir, *In Spite of Myself*, which candidly documents his love of drinking and, in his earlier years, womanizing. "I chose the naughty side of life," he tells *HELLO! Canada*.

HELLO! CANADA magazine, now available on newsstands — read more at hellomagazine.ca

Blake has lots of baggage

STORAGE One of the best parts of being on *Gossip Girl* for Blake Lively is having nice handbags, People.com reports her as saying.

"I probably have, like, 60 gorgeous bags," the 21-year-old tells *W* in the December issue. "I have a closet with my really sharp, fan-

cy, nice ones — the ones that go with my Valentino pumps, for example."

And then I have a closet with the ones that are a little more rugged-feeling, the kind that go with my Belstaff motorcycle boots."

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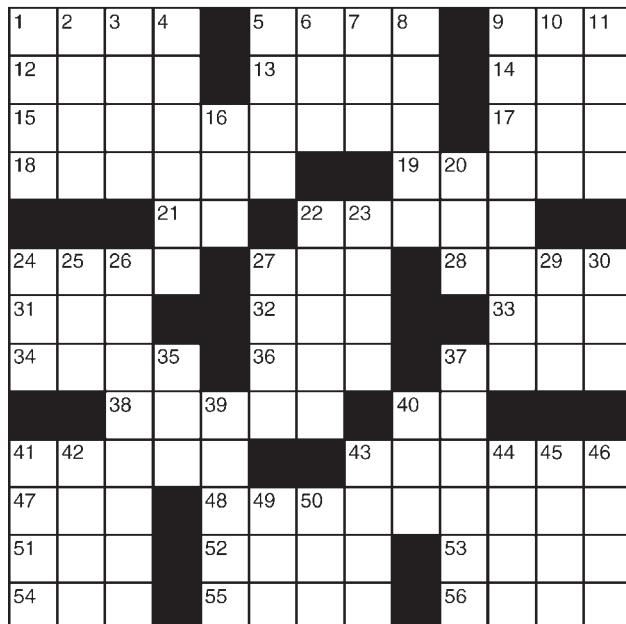


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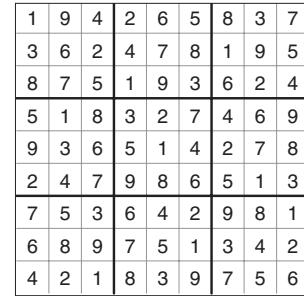
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 4 Group of teams 30 Barbie's friend
 5 Reverberate 35 Ram's mate
 6 Thee 37 Champagne + O.J.
 7 Ambulance VIP 39 Jellied entree
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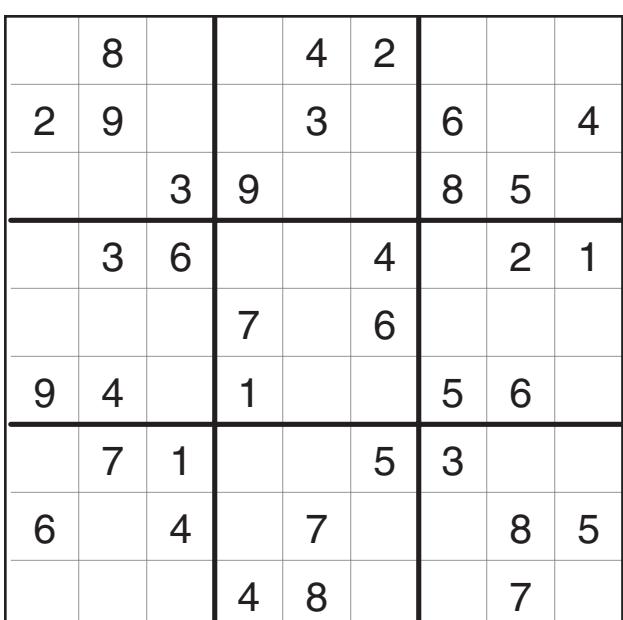
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Under 13 min Genius
 13-17 min Scholar

17-21 min Smart
 21-25 min Not bad
 25+ min Keep practising

Sudoku

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Horoscopes

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20



TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21



A speaker has reservations about you. A group looks to you for support. A passionate encounter is ruined by bad timing.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23



A fateful meeting will be remembered. The cost of disagreeing is not worth it. Refuse to take part in cruel activities.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



Don't play rough with an immature guy. Ethical problems must be dealt with. A VIP impresses others with a new technique.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21



Cut a long story short to steer clear of slippery slopes. A hidden opponent makes a conversion. Uncertainty about work continues.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



A strong man is hiding something. A dramatic person frightens people. Lethargic day-dreamers start to irritate you.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22



Excessive responsibility can lead to arguments. An encounter in a corridor will end a bad situation. Exhausting events force your eyes open.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20



Accept an invitation if you care about someone. Take a walk on the wild side. Bungling fails to amuse you.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23



Everyone's talking about what's about to happen. Running wild affects your work prospects. You'll live up to your own expectations.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18



Expect some good things to come your way. A helpful person single-handedly goes off track. Certainty develops about a messy romance.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22



Winning an argument will be frustrating. Be truthful with a special person. A perky woman will do things properly.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20



Give someone extra respect and concede a loss. Other people won't argue unless you do. Avoid complaints after a spirit-ed encounter.

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2. Evacuate a dock (1)

3. Six plus two shave the Parmesan (1)

4. Rocker Graham's poison ivy reactions (2)

5. More toned and healthy cuspidor user (2)

6. Pushed for an answer from a hotel visitor (1)

7. Barcalounger turner-downer (3)

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE
 Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

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